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SUMMARY AT MEETING WITH EMBOFFS UNHRC WORKING GROUP CHAIRMAN EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT AT THE "ARBITRARY" AND "AUTHORITARIAN" MANNER IN WHICH PRESIDENT PINOCHET WITHDREW HIS INVITATION FOR THE GROUP'S INVESTIGATIVE VISIT TO CHILE. HE ALSO VOICED DISAPPOINTMENT IN PRESUMED USG'S FAILURE TO INTERCEDE WITH THE GOC AS HE HAD REQUESTED. HE SAID THE GROUP WILL CONTINUE ITS INVESTIGATION OUTSIDE CHILE AND WILL MAKE A PROGRESS REPORT TO THE UN WITHIN TWO MONTHS AND A FULL REPORT TO THE UNHRC IN FEBRUARY. EN SUMMARY.

- 1. ON JULY 10 DCM AND EMBOFF MET WITH UNHRC WORKING GROUP CHAIRMAN G. ALLANA TO ASCERTAIN GROUP'S PLANS FOLLOWING PRESIDENT PINOCHET'S SUDDEN DENIAL OF GROUP'S INVESTIGATIVE VISIT TO CHILE.
- 2. ALLANA TOLD EMBOFFS HE WAS EXTREMELY DISAPPOINTED BY PINOCHET'S "AUTHORITARIAN" AND "ARBITRARY" MANNER AND THE "SHABBY"WAY THE UNHRC CONFIDENTIAL

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GROUP HAD BEEN TREATED. HE ALSO EXPRESSED HIS DISAPPOINTMENT THAT

THE USG HAD NOT USED ITS GOOD OFFICES TO GET THE GOC INVITATION REINSTATED.

- 3. ALLANA SAID THE GROUP WILL CONTINUE ITS INVESTIGATION OUTSIDE CHILE BUT WOULD NOT CONDUCT INTERVIEWS WITH CHILEAN REFUGEES IN PERU. THE GROUP PLANS TO LEAVE FOR CARACAS SUNDAY OR MONDAY AND WILL DECIDE THERE NOW AND WHERE TO PURSUE ITS INVESTIGATION. IT WILL ISSUE A PROGRESS REPORT TO THE SEC GEN BEFORE SEPT AND A FINAL REPORT TO THE UNHRC BY FEBRUARY. ALLANA SAID THESE REPORTS WILL INEVITABLY REFLECT THE GOC'S ACTIONS IN DENYING THE GROUP'S VISIT TO CHILE.
- 4. ALLANA SAID THAT IN RESPONSE TO HIS JULY 4 REQUEST THAT THE GOC REINSTATE ITS INVITATION, PINOCHET SENT TWO "RELATIVELY LOW-RANKING" OFFICERS TO MEET HIM IN LIMA. THEY WERE OSVALDO SALVAS OF THE DEFENSE MINISTRY AND LUIS WINTER OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY; THEY MET ON JULY 8. THE GOC OFFICERS TOLD ALLANA THAT THE TIME WAS NOT PROPITIOUS FOR THE VISIT. WHEN ALLANA PRESSED FOR FURTHER EXPLANATION, SALAS STRESSED CHILE'S FREEDOM OF ACTION AS A SOVEREIGN NATION AND ALLUDED TO UNFAVORABLE PUBLICITY SURROUNDING INVESTIGATIVE VISIT STEMMING FROM ILO AND WOMEN'S CONFERENCES AND OTHER REASONS NOT ACCEPTABLE TO ALLANA. THEY ALSO EXTENDED PINOCHET'S INVITATION FOR ALLANA TO VISIT CHILE ALONE TO DISCUSS MATTER FURTHER.
- 5. ALLANA THEN TOLD GOC OFFICERS THAT ALL NATIONS ARE INTERDEPENDENT AND CHILE IS NOT "SOVEREIGN" IN ANY REAL SENSE. HE TOLD THEM TO TELL PINOCHET HE HAD BAD ADVISORS AND SHOULD "SHAKE THEM OFF" AND TO CONVEY ALLANA'S DISAPPOINTMENT THAT THE GROUP HAD BEEN INVITED TO CHILE BUT WHEN IT REACHED LIMA "THE DOOR WAS SLAMMED IN ITS FACE."
- 6. ALLANA GAVE EMBOFFS TEXT OF UNHRC PRESS STATEMENT TO BE RELEASED IN GENEVA AND NEW YORK WHICH IS QUOTED FYI IN SEPARATE CABLE.
- 7. DCM TOLD ALLANA HE WOULD CONVEY ALLANA'S FEELINGS IMMEDIATELY BY CABLE AND WOULD FOLLOW UP DURING HIS WASHINGTON VISIT. DEAN

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